

What is claimed is:

- 5 1. A low-profile compact disk (CD) case, comprising a top cover and a bottom seat that are pivotally connected to each other at pivotal edges thereof to provide an inner space for receiving a compact disk therein; said low-profile CD case being characterized in that said bottom seat is integrally formed on an inner surface with a central holding means and a plurality of protective means when said bottom seat is produced by injection molding, for example, such that said compact disk may be positioned in said low-profile CD case directly on said bottom seat around said central holding means and on said protective means to omit extra CD deck between said top cover and said bottom seat, and accordingly largely reduces an overall height or thickness of said CD case as well as costs for making and transporting said CD case and compact disk stored therein.
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- 20 2. A low-profile CD case as claimed in claim 1, wherein said central holding means is a short hollow cylinder upward projected from said bottom seat and has spaced cuts along a circumferential wall of said hollow cylinder to provide a plurality of flexible catch pawls, said first protective means includes a low-raised circular rib encircling and being concentric with said central holding means, said second protective means includes at least two low-raised curved ribs defining a circle concentric with said central holding means and extending
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disk will locate, and said third protective means includes a plurality of raised curved ribs closely located at and extended along an outer side of said curved ribs of said second protective means; and said ribs of said third protective means having a height slightly higher than that of said first and said second protective means and a thickness of said compact disk.

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3. A low-profile CD case as claimed in claim 1, wherein:

said top cover includes a plane surface defining a front (or free) end, a rear (or pivotal) end, and two lateral sides, ribs being provided on an inner side of said plane surface near said front and said rear ends at predetermined positions for locating an advertising sheet to the inner side of said plane surface of said top cover, two side walls being separately formed along said two lateral sides of said top cover to vertically extend downward by a predetermined small distance, semicircular members being preferably symmetrically provided on said two side walls at suitable positions close to said front and said rear ends of said top cover, such that said semicircular members at two opposite sides of said top cover project inward toward one another, a portion of said top cover near said rear end having a slightly narrowed width, a rear wall extending along said narrowed rear portion to give a substantially n-shaped cross section including two short wings, said rear wall also vertically extending downward by a predetermined small distance, and a pivotal hole being

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provided on each of said short wings; and

said bottom seat includes a plane surface defining a front (or free) end, a rear (or pivotal) end, and two lateral sides, said bottom seat being provided at rear ends of said two lateral sides with an extended arm each, each of said extended arms being provided at an inner side with a protrusion corresponding to said pivotal holes on said two wings of said top cover, such that said top cover may be pivotally connected at said rear or pivotal end to said bottom seat by separately extending said two protrusions into said two pivotal holes, two walls being provided on an inner side of said bottom seat to separately horizontally extend along said front and said rear ends of said bottom seat, such that said walls have a substantially n-shaped cross section including two short wing portions, semicircular dust-proof recesses being symmetrically provided on said two lateral sides of said bottom seat within said wing portions of said two n-shaped walls and corresponding to said semicircular members on said top cover, narrow spaces being left between outer surfaces of said wing portions of said walls and outmost edges of said two lateral sides of said bottom seat to provide stepped shoulder portions, onto which said side walls of said top cover are rested when said top cover is in its closed position over said bottom seat.

4. A low-profile CD case as claimed in claim 3, wherein said CD case formed by pivotally connected said top cover to

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6. A low-profile CD case as claimed in claim 3, wherein said bottom seat is made of colored material to protect said compact disk stored in said CD case from direct sunshine.